

Board of Health: Kenosha County Division of Health**Meeting Minutes: 04.13.21**

Virtual Webex Meeting, 12:00 Noon

Agenda Item	Talking Points	Action Step (Who & When)
Call to Order, President	The meeting was called to order at 12:07 pm by Dr. Diane Gerlach, President. (00:00:01)	
Approval of Minutes of March 9, 2021	Motion to approve the minutes of March 9, 2021 by Julia Robinson, seconded by Dr. Foster. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (00:00:02)	
Public Comments	None (00:00:22)	
President's Comments	Vaccine clinics are going very well. If anyone gets a chance to help, it's a great experience. (00:00:29)	
Corporation Counsel's Report	New by-laws speak to ten-year term limitations. We don't want to lose knowledge and history, but still want to provide new members an opportunity. Discussed retiring one person per year. Staggering membership to maintain continuity and not have a lot of people leaving all at once. Discussed Board of Health members who are county board and city representatives. Term limits for officers started January 1, 2021. Will put forth a recommendation on how to proceed at next meeting. Would like to have better onboarding/orientation for new Board of Health members. (00:00:52 – 00:09:38)	Karen will send out a list of each member's start date
Health Officer/Director's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Disease Investigation & Contact Tracingb. Testingc. Vaccinationd. Other Public Health Services	<p>The CDC/FDA submitted a joint statement to put a pause on the J&J vaccine due to adverse side effects. This is happening out of an over abundance of caution. Covid vaccines, as well as our clinics, are very safe. Our clinics have a crash cart, response team, etc. Since we don't have 1st doses to give, our clinics this week will be much smaller. We've had to put a pause on some of the clinics we were planning on using the J&J vaccine at. This Saturday we will be at Westosha Central High School. Next week we have targeted a clinic for 16- & 17-year olds. Will be offering more evening and Saturday clinics. We have reached 40% of our eligible people in Kenosha county with at least one dose. With the demand being lower for appointments, we will move forward with mobile clinics and reaching our community in this fashion.</p> <p>The Call Center is handling 400 calls per day.</p> <p>The Kickstart Plan from last May is still a viable and valid plan. Badger Bounce Back gating criteria never allowed us to come to fruition. We did not have a component for events so an addendum has been added for that. There are nine pages of guidelines to make events safer. We ask event organizers to share with us their plans so that we can help them with education.</p> <p>Testing is still down. Cases starting to go up a in the 40 years and under range. Seeing more positive</p>	

	<p>children. We encourage school districts not to remove mask policies. As far as public health standards, nothing has changed. The British variant is the predominant variant in Kenosha county. Along with our heavy advertising, we will investigate targeted Facebook ads.</p> <p>The health department has received an equity grant \$100,000 from the state. Have been working with the Equity Task Force since early January. Sharmain Harris sits on this committee.</p> <p>The Vivitrol Program currently has 45 clients. Have given 31 injections in the past month. Seeing an uptake of clients from the jail release program.</p> <p>The Narcan grant is due to sunset at the end of August. Are applying for another grant. Have given out 213 kits to the community since the beginning of the year. Still holding virtual Narcan trainings. Planning a large media campaign.</p> <p>Roger Perez is our newest Board of Health member. He is a community spokesperson/advocate in Kenosha and is happy to be a member helping the community in any way possible. (00:09:42 – 00:39:02)</p>	
Other Business as Allowed by Law	None (00:39:03)	
Closing Board Comments	Next meeting May 11, 2021	
Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn meeting by Julia Robinson, seconded by Rita Ventura. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm. (00:39:15)</p> <p>Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary</p> <p>Respectfully submitted by Jen Freiheit, Health Officer/Director</p>	

Present: Dr. Diane Gerlach, Dr. James Foster, Jen Freiheit, John Moyer, Roger Perez, Julia Robinson, Dr. Rita Ventura, Liane Blanck

Absent: Mark Modory, Dr. Regner-Hodge